women and children on a sustained basis in the coming months and special attention for orphaned children, widows and destitute women. The Team deputed by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to the cyclone affected areas has recommended constitution of an Advisory Committee under the Chairmanship of Health Secretary Orissa for monitoring, among other things, the mental health needs of the affected pupulation and funding as well as strengthening of mental health infrastructure in the State.

(b) Assistance of Rs. 42.50 crore from the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) and ad-hoc assistance of Rs. 500.00 crore from the National Fund for Calamity Relief (NFCR) has been released to Orissa for undertaking immediate relief measures in the wake of natural calamities including the Super cyclone. No separate budget provision is made.

Declaration by the Forum in Davos regarding budget

*216. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the declaration by the Forum in Davos regarding the content and direction of the forthcoming budget; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) There was no declaration issued by the Forum in Davos.

(b) Does not arise.

Grants for Poverty alleviation Programmes

*217. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of people identified as living below poverty line as on December 1999, State-wise;

(b) what steps are being taken to improve the lots of these people;

(c) what is the quantum of total grants for poverty alleviation programme; and

(d) how much has been granted/spent as on December, 1999 to improve the condition of these people, State-wise?